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STUDS AND VERTICAL RIBS

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2001 (the period for response to which has been extended to November 3, 2001 by virtue of the accompanying petition and fee), please amend the claims as shown on the attached Version With Changes to Show Markings and Replacement Sheets.

Claims 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12 and 13 have been amended.

Claims 2, 3, 6, 7 and 14 remain unchanged.

Claim 10 has been canceled.

REMARKS

The Office Action dated July 3, 2001 has been received and carefully studied.

The Examiner objects to claim 11, and takes the position that the term "inner surfaces" should be "inner surface". By the foregoing amendment, the correction has been made.

The Examiner also objects to claim 13. By the foregoing amendment, the term "the" has been added after "in".